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**DECLARATION OF SUPPORT FOR SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES  
AND A VOLUNTARY GREEN BUILDING STANDARD  
BY**

**CLARK COUNTY, THE CITIES OF BATTLE GROUND,  
CAMAS, LA CENTER, RIDGEFIELD, VANCOUVER,  
WASHOUGAL, THE TOWN OF YACOLT**

THIS IS A DECLARATION by and between Clark County, the Cities of Camas, Washougal, Ridgefield, La Center, Battle Ground, the Town of Yacolt, and the City of Vancouver, all municipal corporations of the State of Washington ("the Parties").

Construction and demolition waste makes up roughly one-third of the solid waste generated in Washington, which is an inefficient use of valuable resources and business capital. It also creates waste management challenges. Buildings account for 72 percent of electricity use and 39 percent of energy use in the United States, confirming that transition to green building can bring many benefits to public and individual health, the economy, and the environment.

The American Recovery and Revitalization Act grant with Clark County calls for adoption of a voluntary green building standard. However, faced with the challenges of declining budgets, reduced staff, and changing technology, it is important for communities to support joint resources and learn from each other's successes and challenges. To that end, strong partnerships across the county already work to promote green building practices, and the building and development community stands to benefit if there is regional consistency in encouraging green practices across jurisdictions.

The National Association of Home Builders (NAHB) and the International Code Council (ICC) have developed a model National Green Building Standard for single and multifamily homes, remodeling projects, and site development projects which allows for regionally appropriate best green practices. See ICC-700-2008. On March 15, 2010 the

(ICC) released its International Green Construction Code (IGCC) for commercial projects.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE PARTIES DECLARE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. PURPOSE. The purpose of this Declaration is to set forth:

- A. An administrative structure;
- B. Agreed-upon goals; and
- C. Identified tasks and responsibilities

SECTION 2. DECLARATION OF GOALS.

A. It is the Parties' intent to develop consistent voluntary green building standards.

B. The Parties will jointly collaborate on countywide sustainable communities program, green building goals, and a regional approach to public participation.

C. Each Party will make a good faith effort to adopt a consistent voluntary green building standard.

SECTION 3. TERM. This Agreement is voluntary, and shall become effective upon the date it is recorded with Clark County. It shall remain in effect through December 31, 2012.

SECTION 4. TERMINATION. Any Party may choose to terminate its participation in this Agreement by notifying the other parties in writing thirty (30) days prior to termination.

SECTION 5. COST OF SERVICE. No party will charge another party for services rendered under this agreement except as provided for under separate, existing agreements.

SECTION 6. ADMINISTRATIVE STRUCTURE. This Declaration does not establish a separate legal entity to carry out the Sustainable Communities Voluntary Green Building Standards or create any third party beneficiaries. The following paragraphs make provision for a coordinated informal action plan.

A. Project Management Team. The parties shall each have one participant designated to participate in a Project Management Team and Clark County's participant(s) shall lead the team through December 31, 2012.

B. Decision-Making. Decision-making will ordinarily be by consensus, but if no consensus can be reached, decision-making will be by majority vote of all participants present, with each participant present having one vote. In the event of a tie vote, the Project Manager will make the final decision.

E. Record-Keeping. Clark County will keep the official project records and make them available.

Dated this 8<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2010.

FOR CITY OF BATTLE GROUND, a  
municipal corporation

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Michael Ciraulo, Mayor

FOR CITY OF CAMAS, a municipal  
Corporation

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Paul Dennis, Mayor

FOR CLARK COUNTY, a municipal  
corporation

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Steve Stuart, Chair Clark County  
Commissioners

FOR CITY OF LA CENTER, a municipal  
corporation

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
James T. Irish, Mayor

FOR CITY OF RIDGEFIELD, a municipal  
corporation

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ron Onslow, Mayor

FOR CITY OF VANCOUVER, a  
municipal corporation

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tim Leavitt, Mayor

FOR CITY OF WASHOUGAL, a  
municipal corporation

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Sean Guard, Mayor

FOR TOWN OF YACOLT, a municipal  
corporation

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Joseph O. Warren, Mayor

Approved as to form only:

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Prosecuting Attorney



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## FISCAL IMPACT ATTACHMENT

### Part I: Narrative Explanation

I.A - Explanation of what the request does that has fiscal impact and the assumptions for developing revenue and costing information.

The Declaration calls for formation of an ad hoc team to implement consistent green building standards across Clark County. In addition the team will collaborate on countywide green building goals, and a regional approach to public participation. The fiscal impact will be made of a staff time.

### Part II: Estimated Revenues

Fund #/Title	Current Biennium		Next Biennium		Second Biennium	
	GF	Total	GF	Total	GF	Total
4014/Solid Waste Program		\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00		
Total:	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

II.A - Describe the type of revenue (grant, fees, etc.)

Revenue is from a Department of Ecology Grant.

### Part III: Estimated Expenditures

III.A - Expenditures summed up

Fund #/Title	FTE's	Current Biennium		Next Biennium		Second Biennium	
		GF	Total	GF	Total	GF	Total
4014/Solid Waste Program			\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00		
Total:		\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00

III.B = Expenditure by object category

Fund #/Title	Current Biennium		Next Biennium		Second Biennium	
	GF	Total	GF	Total	GF	Total
Salary/Benefits		\$1,000.00		\$1,000.00		
Contractual						
Supplies						
Travel						
Other controllables						
Capital Outlays						
Inter-fund Transfers						
Debt Service						
Total:	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$1,000.00	\$0.00	\$0.00